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FOR: Elevator Active Suspension Utilizing Repulsive Magnetic Force

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REQUEST FOR PRE-APPEAL BRIEF REVIEW

Dear Sir:

There is no *prima facie* case of obviousness against any of Applicant's claims.

The Rejection of Claims 1-3, 6-8 and 11 Under 35 U.S.C. §103 Must be Withdrawn

There is no *prima facie* case of obviousness because the Examiner's proposed combination of the He, et al. reference and the Kurosawa, et al. reference does not establish a *prima facie* case of obviousness. The references do not contain what the Examiner contends.

The Examiner contends that the Kurosawa, et al. reference teaches a repulsive magnetic force. The reference simply does not teach that. In fact, in paragraph 0013, it is clear that the electromagnet 10 *attracts* the sole plate 6 of the car frame 2 as shown in Figure 2 of the Kurosawa, et al. reference. There is no indication anywhere within the reference of any use of a repulsive force. Instead, the reference explicitly teaches using an attractive magnetic force. Therefore, even if the Examiner's proposed combination of references could be made, the result is not what the Examiner contends and there is no *prima facie* case of obviousness. Neither

reference teaches using a repulsive force as suggested by the Examiner. Without that, there is no possible *prima facie* case of obviousness.

Additionally, neither reference teaches opposing electromagnets interacting with each other. Instead, in the He, et al. reference, the electromagnets 216 interact with magnetic reaction plates 210. There is no interaction between electromagnets consistent with that recited in Applicant's claims. Additionally, the Kurosawa, et al. reference does not have electromagnets interacting with each other. Electromagnets 10 attractively pull on the plate 6, for example. That does not constitute electromagnets interacting with each other. Without any teaching of an electromagnet facing a corresponding electromagnet and interacting as recited in Applicant's claims, there is no possible *prima facie* case of obviousness based upon the proposed combination of the He, et al. and Kurosawa, et al. references.

As the references do not teach what the Examiner contends, there is no possible *prima facie* case of obviousness and the rejection under 35 U.S.C. §103 must be withdrawn.

Respectfully submitted,

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Applicant requests review of the final rejection in the above-identified application. No amendments are being filed with this request.

This request is being filed with a notice of appeal.

The review is requested for the reason(s) stated on the attached sheet(s).

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See 37 CFR 3.71. Statement under 37 CFR 3.73(b) is enclosed.
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